



#21

BOX AF
RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3738

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 101.0078-00000
Customer No. 22882
Express Mail No. EV 044 233 542 US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	
Gary K. Michelson, M.D.)	Group Art Unit: 3738
)	
Serial No.: 09/593,591)	
)	
Filed: June 13, 2000)	Examiner: P. Prebilic
)	
For: MANUFACTURED MAJOR LONG)	
BONE RING IMPLANT SHAPED TO)	
CONFORM TO A PREPARED)	
INTERVERTEBRAL IMPLANTATION)	
SPACE)	

RECEIVED
DEC 20 2002

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES AND SUBMISSION OF
SUBSTITUTE FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Subject to the approval of the Examiner, it is respectfully requested that Fig. 11 be added and Figs. 4 and 8 be amended as indicated in red on the attached drawings in the above-identified application.

Upon approval, please replace the informal drawings with the four (4) sheets of formal drawings filed herewith (Figures 1-11). If the formal drawings for any reason are

not in full compliance with the pertinent statutes and regulations, please so advise the undersigned

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN & FERRARO, LLP

Dated: December 17, 2002

By: 

Amedeo F. Ferraro
Reg. No. 37,129
Attorney for Applicant

14500 Avion Parkway, Suite 300
Chantilly, VA 20151-1101
Telephone: (703) 679-9300
Facsimile: (703) 679-9303

RECEIVED

DEC 20 2002

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

RECEIVED

DEC 20 2002

TECHNOLOGY CENTER